

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An acupuncture needle assembly comprising:
an acupuncture needle including:
5 a body, and
 a fine point at a bottom thereof, and
 a tube type grip element extending over a portion of the
acupuncture needle, and
 at least a substantial length of the tube type grip element
10 being compressed such that an outer surface of the acupuncture
needle is fixedly connected with an inner surface of the at least
a substantial length of the grip element.
2. An acupuncture needle assembly according to claim 1, wherein
15 said grip element has a generally cylindrical outer surface.
3. An acupuncture needle assembly according to claim 1, wherein
said tube type grip element is compressed along an entire length
thereof around said acupuncture needle.